

# Project: Peoples Choice Credit Union



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## Project Introduction

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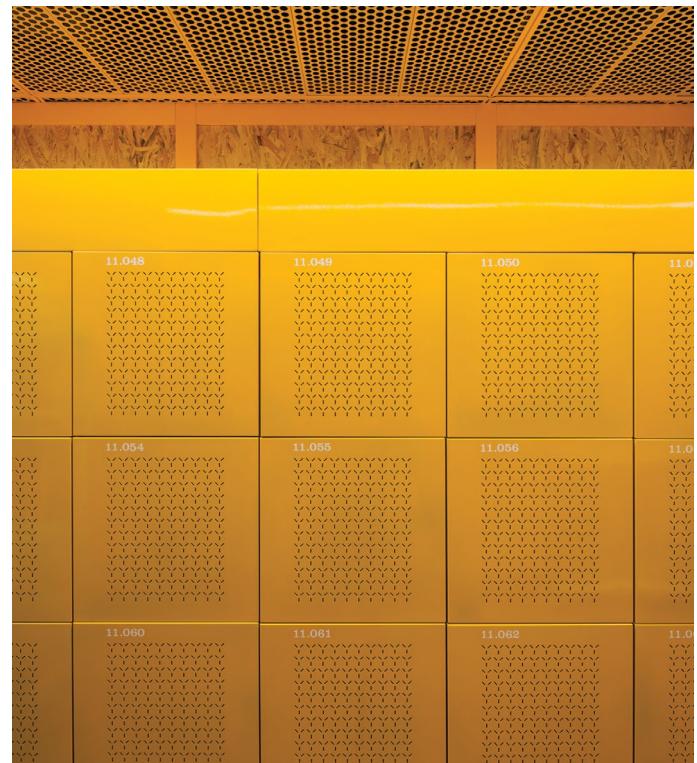
Designed to empower staff within a collaborative and flexible workspace, Planex's steel lockers introduced an adaptive new working experience to reflecting the culture of PCCU and improve connection points and workplace productivity. Planex lockers were paired with a Managed Locker System provided by Gallagher to provide flexible configuration, allocation and enhanced security from a centralised portal.

## Peoples Choice Credit Union

PCCU has been built around activity-based working with a focus on sustainability and workplace acoustics. Operating across five floors and comprising 8,200 square metres, the environment supports dynamic interaction, reflecting the ways people enjoy working today with flexibility and technology to increase collaboration. Additionally, consolidating operations from three locations into a single five star green rated building has reduced operations costs and created a more empowered team culture. People's Choice employs nearly 1000 people in South Australia, and has the largest proportion of members based in the state. The 21,450sqm office workspace was assembled in collaboration with architects Woods Bagot, JPE Design, Cook Building and Development in association with project managers Commercial and General to house approximately 600 staff over 6 levels.

## The Brief

PCCU specified Planex and Gallagher to supply a fully integrated Locker Management System, featuring managed locker access, automated allocation and designed to ensure best utilization of locker resources. Planex worked with designers to develop a custom designed office locker featuring a unique punch pattern design on each floor. Integrated within the space to make practical use of the interior, the backs of lockers were also fitted with audio-visual equipment and acoustic screens.





## Project Milestones

- Custom perforations over 5 levels featuring unique punch pattern designs on each floor
- Different powder coat in a range of finishes: bronze olive, intensity summer, admiralty, claret, orange x15 and golden yellow
- Customized locker base designed for client
- Extra bracing added to locker panels to support client supplied pin board panels and A/V equipment
- Allowance for built in electrics to power audio visual screens on back of locker
- Custom metal boxes designed to sit on top of lockers and house electrics
- Locker allocation management provided by Gallagher Security
- PCCU selected RFID locks and software to integrate and support pre-existing IT systems
- Planex designed locker box CPU's to match hardware specified by PCCU
- PCCU also designed a custom pedestal to provide the ability to transport personal items in an agile work environment from pedestal to locker. Frost Graphic Design created custom punch pattern door designs on behalf of Woods Bagot. Planex supplied tooling options and Frost designed around our custom capabilities.

## Conclusion

Creating an environment where people feel engaged, happy and empowered at work was integral to the design of this new next-generation working and technologically charged environment. Breaking down 'silos' to improve communication meant around 600 staff based over three locations moved from traditional office spaces into a progressive, open-plan, adaptable working space.

Planex's xLocker2 system provided PCCU with a unique personal storage solution designed for an adaptive and agile working environment in a range of powder coat finishes. Complimented by Gallagher technologies integrative Locker Management technology, staff were empowered with the flexibility of allocation options, improved security and the elimination of costs associated with resetting and managing combination locks.

The only Australian locker to receive AFRDI Blue and Green Tick Level A Platinum certification, xLocker2 incorporates sustainability from concept to manufacture. Made in Melbourne using over 95% locally sourced materials, xLocker2 is manufactured in an ISO14001 and ISO9001 certified production facility from 100% recyclable BlueScope steel, is designed for disassembly and VOC-Free.





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